To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 40 without my signature.

This bill allows the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to seek receivership of a mobilehome park that is facing serious health and safety violations.

According to the author, this bill was introduced to address the very small minority of flagrantly negligent park owners who have longstanding and serious health and safety violations. Current law authorizes HCD to revoke such a park owner's permit to operate, which may be the more appropriate course rather than taking the park into temporary receivership and returning it to the same park owner once corrections have been made.

In addition, this bill requires park owners to pay the relocation costs for problems predominantly caused by other residents.

For these reasons, I cannot support this measure.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger